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FLASH MEMORY CONTROL METHOD, FLASH For:

> MEMORY SYSTEM USING THE CONTROL METHOD AND FLASH MEMORY DEVICE

USING THE CONTROL METHOD

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Enclosed herewith is a certified copy of Japanese patent application No. 10-351435 which was filed December 10, 1998, from which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 and Rule 55.

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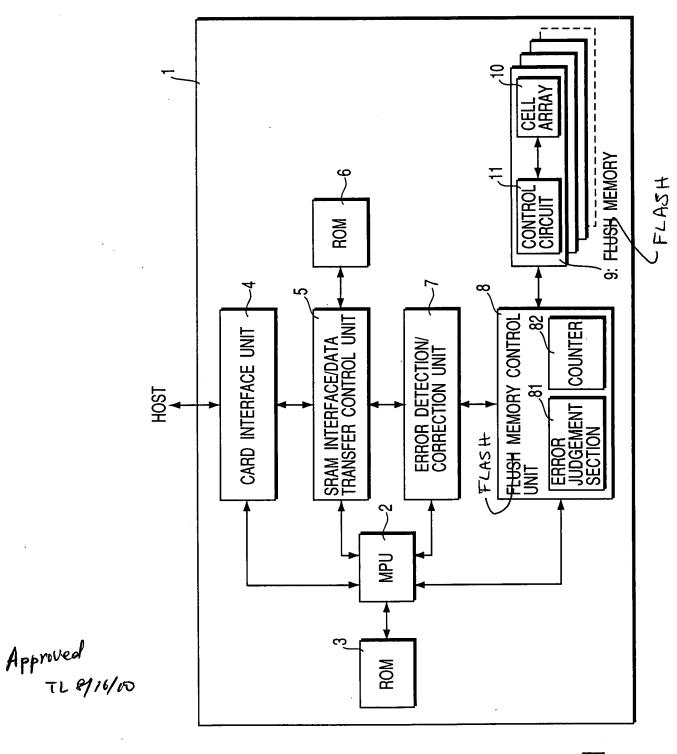
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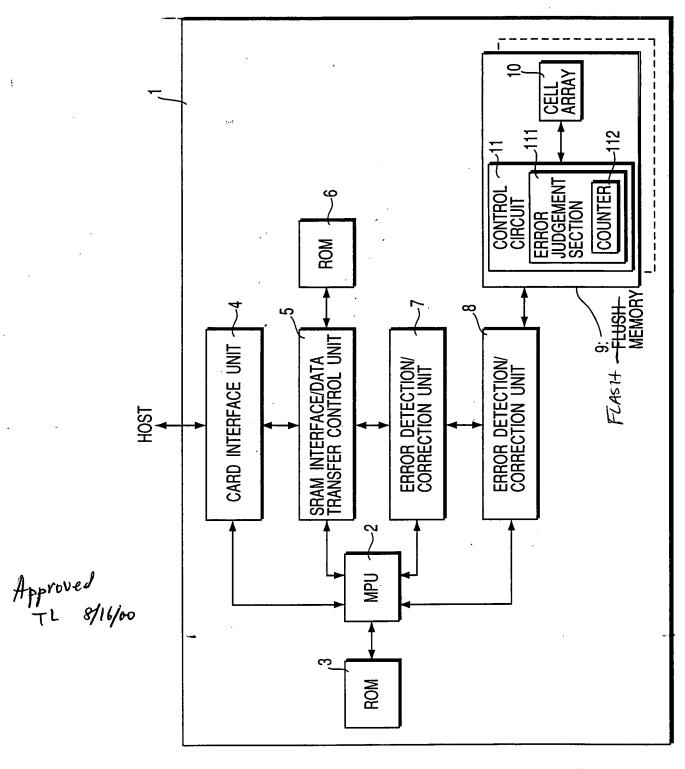
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